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Dear Brian:

Thank you for your letters of July 29, and September 11.

We welcome your comments on our draft standards manual. Your comments and those we have received from others will help us with the upcoming revision. We want our security managers in the field to receive these standards as quickly as possible.

Your most recent letter raises a concern shared by some other members, e.g., the usefulness of continuing to invite guest speakers to every meeting. I discussed this with Roger Robinson and Mark Mulvey. We agree that our time can be better spent on substantive issues. While we cannot take back the invitation extended to our next speaker, we will begin in November with a more policy-oriented agenda. In the interim, and after soliciting ideas from the members, Mark will develop agendas which should carry us through the next several months.

Sincerely.

Lou Schwartz
Director

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cc: OSPG Members